Senate File 570 - Reprinted

SENATE FILE 570
BY COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

(SUCCESSOR TO SF 68)

(As Amended and Passed by the Senate March 28, 2019)

A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act providing for immunity from civil liability for
- 2 registered architects and professional engineers providing
- 3 disaster emergency assistance under specified circumstances.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

S.F. 570

- 1 Section 1. <u>NEW SECTION</u>. **29C.20C Immunity** registered 2 architects and professional engineers.
- 3 An architect registered pursuant to chapter 544A or a
- 4 professional engineer licensed pursuant to chapter 542B who,
- 5 during a disaster emergency as proclaimed by the governor or
- 6 a major disaster as declared by the president of the United
- 7 States, in good faith and at the request of or with the
- 8 approval of a national, state, or local public official, law
- 9 enforcement official, public safety official, or building
- 10 inspection official believed by the registered architect or
- 11 professional engineer to be acting in an official capacity,
- 12 voluntarily and without compensation provides architectural,
- 13 engineering, structural, electrical, mechanical, or other
- 14 design professional services related to the disaster emergency
- 15 shall not be liable for civil damages for any acts or omissions
- 16 resulting from the services provided, unless such acts or
- 17 omissions constitute recklessness or willful and wanton
- 18 misconduct. A registered architect or professional engineer
- 19 who receives expense reimbursement for the performance of
- 20 services described in this section shall not be considered to
- 21 have received compensation for such services.